Potential Ultracapacitor Roles for Hybrid Electric Vehicles

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Outline

- Fuel Cell Hybrid Vehicle Simulations
- Dual-Source Battery/Electrochemical-Double-Layer-Capacitor (EDLC) Evaluation for Component Specialization.
- Conclusions

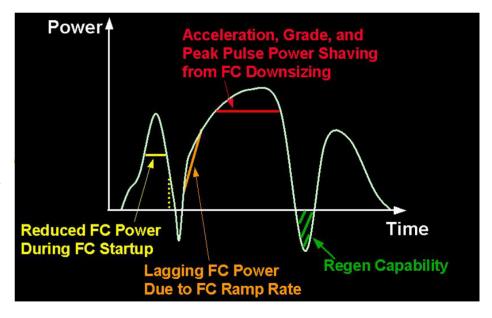




Performance Requirements Dictate Peak and Steady-State Loads

- Vehicle and Performance Requirements
 - Mid-size SUV (Explorer, Durango, Blazer)
 - Target 0-60 mph acceleration in 10.2 s
 - 65 mph at grade of 6.5%
 continuous (at least 20 minutes)
 - Top speed of 100 mph
- Final Power Requirements (based on simulations)
 - 140kW peak power for 0-60 mph acceleration
 - Minimum (fuel cell) power of 80kW for maintaining speed at 6.5% grade

| | | mid-size |
|--------------------------|-------|----------|
| Assumption Description | Units | SUV |
| 0-60 mph | S | 10.2 |
| Top Speed | mph | 100 |
| Grade @ 65mph for 20min. | | |
| at Curb Mass + 408kg | % | >=6.5 |
| Drive Cycle Tolerance | mph | <=2 |

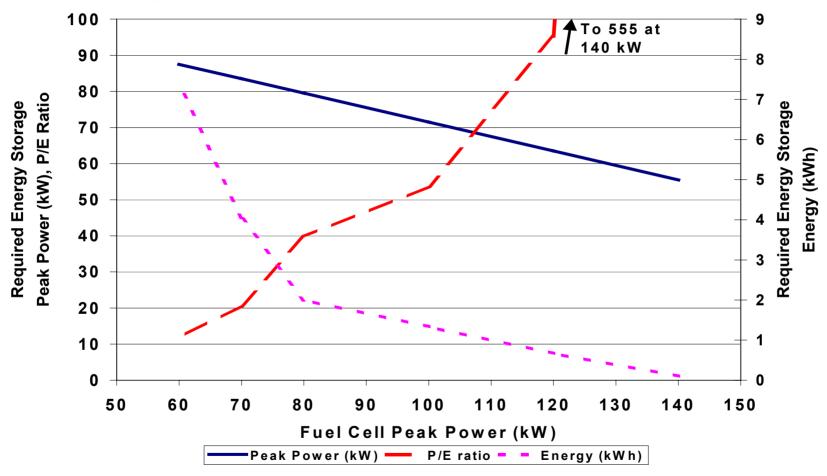






Required P/E Ratio Suggests Certain Energy Sources for MidSize SUV

Energy Storage Requirements vs Fuel Cell Peak Power Size

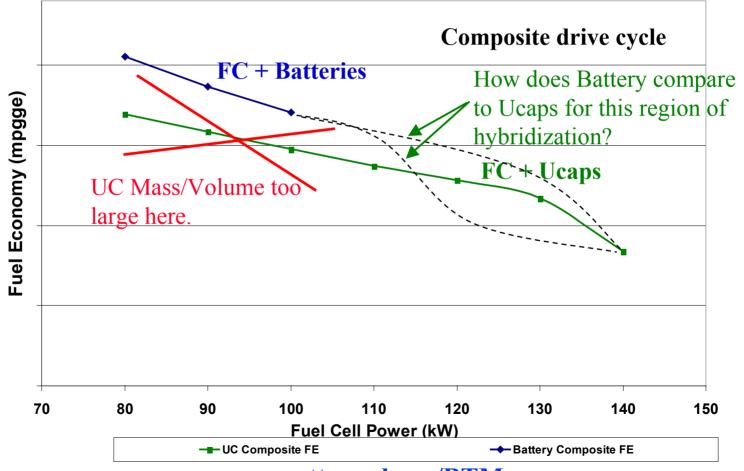






UltraCapacitor vs. Battery Hybridization for MidSize SUV

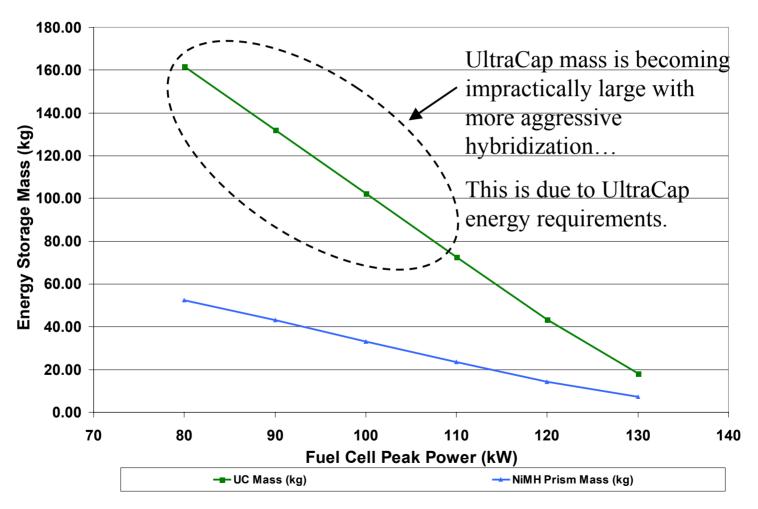
- Fuel economy benefit for Ucaps quickly tapers off due to inability to provide energy needs efficiently (gravimetrically and volumetrically)
- Fuel economy benefit for batteries increases until the gradeability limit (80kW)







Hybridization Mass Requirements for MidSize SUV

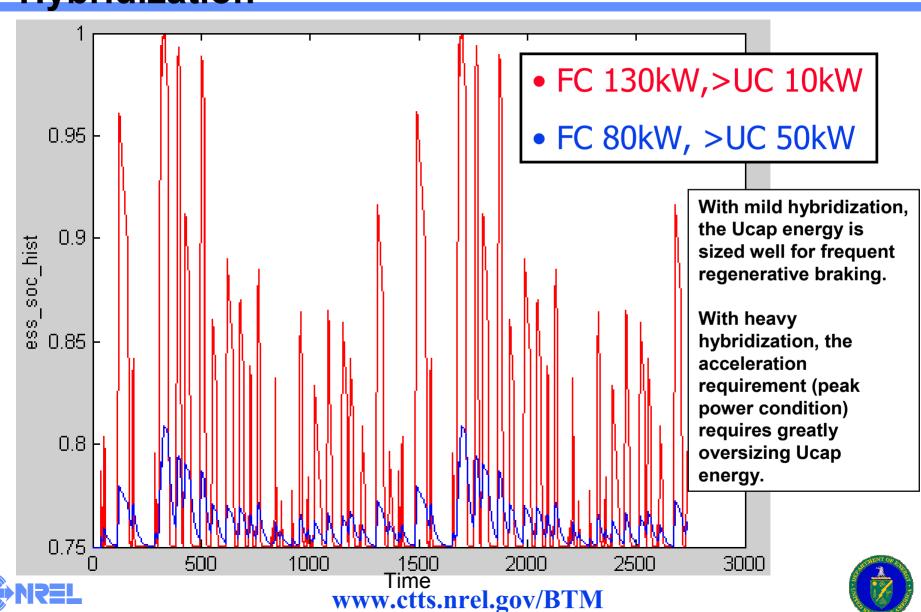






EDLC Operational Details – Mild vs. Heavy

Hybridization



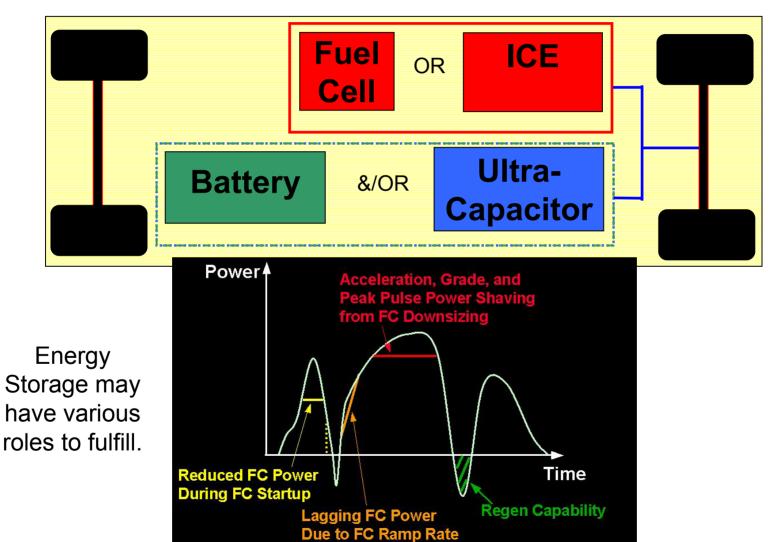
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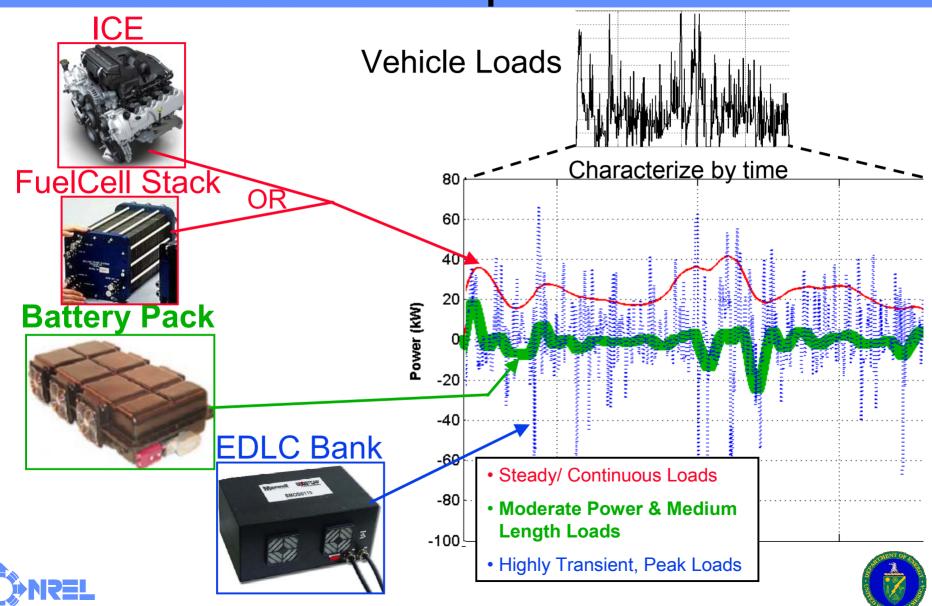
Dual-Source Hybridization Concept



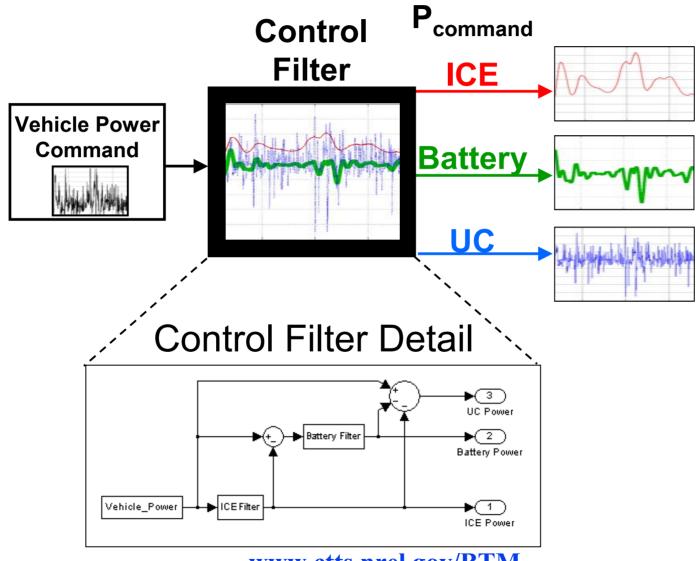




Hybridization Allows Opportunity for Sourcing Various Loads with Multiple Sources

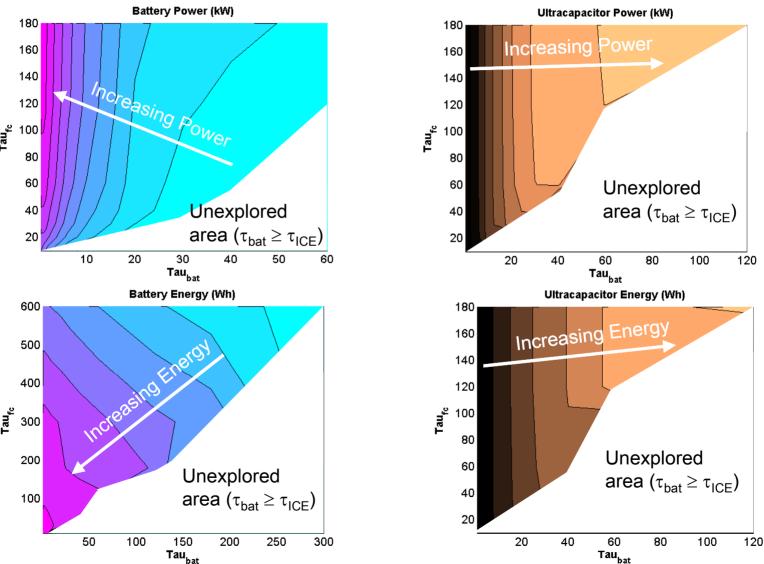


Parametric Evaluation Tool





Component Power/Energy Requirements as a Function of Filter Time Constant (Tau)





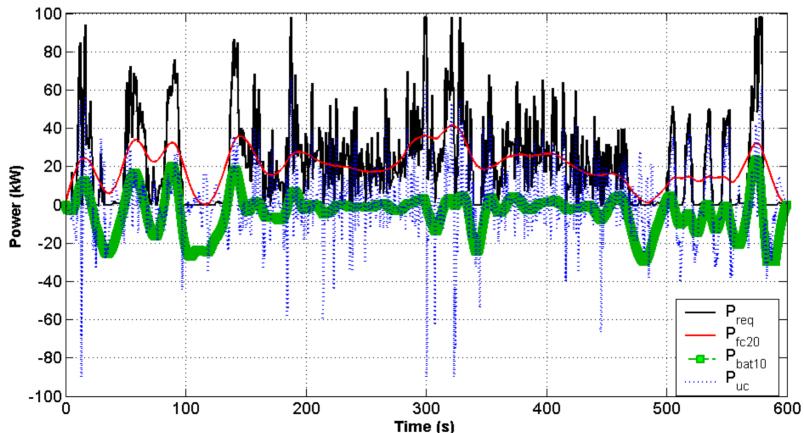


Example Case: Car during EPA's US06 Drive Cycle

ICE: 60 kW, 20 s load average - (P_{fc20})

Battery: 300 V_{nominal}, 1800 Wh, 30 kW P_{max}, 10 s load average - (P_{bat10})

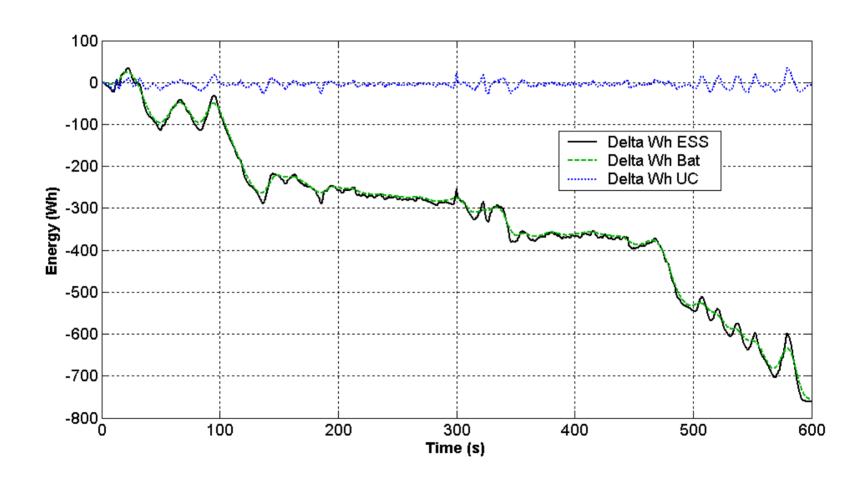
Ultracapacitor: 300 V_{nominal}, 94 Wh (900 F/cell), 50-100 kW P_{max}, Instantaneous Reaction







Example Case: Battery takes responsibility for net change in energy storage.







Conclusions

- Fuel Cell hybridization with EDLC's can provide benefit, but fuel cell downsizing is limited.
- Mild EDLC hybridization strategies need further evaluation versus batteries capabilities:
 - Regenerative energy recapture .
 - Fill in for fuel cell ramp rate.
 - Allow prime mover to operate at maximum efficiencies.
 - Traction assist; Transient suppressions.
 - Buffer fuel cell from high frequency switching harmonics.
 - Fuel cell start-up/shut-down loads.

- Matching power sources to appropriate loads should
 - Enable specialized, robust, and efficient components.
 - Reduce undesirable component stresses.
 - Improve operating points (efficiency, performance,...).
 - Improve thermal conditions.
 - Improve electrochemical balance in the battery.
 - Mitigate early failure modes.



